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In re Application of

Dunton et al. : DECISION GRANTING

Application No. 08/984,005 : PETITION

Filed: December 3, 1997

Attorney Docket No. 042390.P5319

This is a decision on the petition filed on January 13, 2004, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b), to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to the final Office action mailed November 19, 2003. This Office action set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on February 20, 2004. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on June 15, 2004.

With the present petition, petitioner filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114, including an amendment and payment of the RCE fee. The RCE has been accepted as the required reply under 37 CFR 1.137(b)(1). Petitioner has met all other requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center Art Unit 2612 for consideration of the submission under § 1.114, the amendment filed January 13, 2005.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3211.

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